

1 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**

2 **DISTRICT OF NEVADA**

3 MICHAEL MILLER,

4 Plaintiff

5 v.

6 JOHN KEAST, et al.,

7 Defendants

8 Case No.: 3:23-cv-00371-MMD-CSD

9 **Order**

10 Re: ECF No. 14

11 Before the court is Defendants' motion for leave to file medical records under seal in

12 connection with their response to Plaintiff's motion for injunctive relief. (ECF No. 14.)

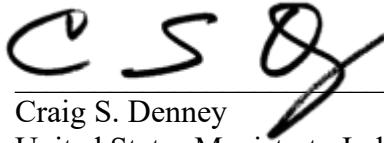
13 When the documents sought to be sealed are "more than tangentially related to the merits  
14 of a case," as they are here, the court must find compelling reasons support the sealing of the  
15 documents. *Center for Auto Safety v. Chrysler Group, LLC*, 809 F.3d 1092, 1096-97, 1101 (9th  
16 Cir. 2016).

17 This court, and others within the Ninth Circuit, have recognized that the need to protect  
18 medical privacy qualifies as a "compelling reason" for sealing records because the plaintiff's  
19 interest in keeping his sensitive health information confidential outweighs the public's need for  
20 direct access to the medical records.

21 Therefore, Defendants' motion (ECF No. 14) is **GRANTED**.

22 **IT IS SO ORDERED.**

23 Dated: June 24, 2025

  
24 Craig S. Denney  
25 United States Magistrate Judge